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A statement in support of the petition for withdrawal of abandonment.

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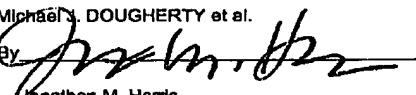
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**STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE  
PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT**

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Date: June 16, 2006

Sir:

The Office issued a Notice of Abandonment on April 21, 2006, on the basis that Applicants allegedly failed to timely pay the issue fee. Upon filing the above-identified application, Applicants gave the Office a general authorization to charge the deposit account in the event any fees were owed during the pendency of this case. Applicants also timely filed an executed issue fee transmittal form in response to the Notice of Allowance and "checked" the box indicating that the issue fee was enclosed. Applicants, however, inadvertently did not check the box explicitly authorizing the Office to charge the appropriate deposit account for the amount of the issue and publication fees owed.

37 C.F.R. § 1.311 (b) provides that:

(b) An authorization to charge the issue fee or other post-allowance fees set forth in § 1.18 to a deposit account may be filed in an individual application only after mailing of the notice of allowance. The submission of either of the following after the mailing of a notice of allowance will operate as a request to charge the correct issue fee or any publication fee due to any deposit account identified in a previously filed authorization to charge such fees:

- (1) An incorrect issue fee or publication fee; or
- (2) A fee transmittal form (or letter) for payment of issue fee or publication fee.

**Appl. No. 10/674,923  
Amdt. dated November 18, 2005  
Reply to Office action of August 22, 2005**

The MPEP's commentary on this rule specifically notes that:

Where it is clear that an applicant actually intends to pay the issue fee and required publication fee, but the proper fee payment is not made, for example, an incorrect issue fee amount is supplied, or a PTOL-85B Fee(s) Transmittal form is filed without payment of the issue fee, a general authorization to pay fees or a specific authorization to pay the issue fee, submitted prior to the mailing of a notice of allowance, will be allowed to act as payment of the correct issue fee.

MPEP § 1306 (citing 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b)).

Thus, Applicants' prior general authorization to charge the deposit account coupled with timely submission of a properly executed issue fee transmittal form complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that this Petition for Withdrawal of Abandonment be granted and that the application permitted to issue.

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

To the extent any fees are owed by Applicants and charged to the above-identified deposit account, Applicants hereby request a refund of such fees on the basis that this application was improperly abandoned by the Office.

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